Only two languages *viz.* Tamil & Sanskrit have been declared as 'Classical language'.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government of Karnataka and several other organizations have represented to declare Kannada as a classical language.

(e) The requests were forwarded to the Sahitya Akademi for the consideration of the Committee of Linguistic Experts.

Heritage villages/towns in tourism map

1522. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to declare the birthplace of prominent freedom fighters and martyrs as heritage villages/towns to bring these on the tourism map;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the details of such villages/towns falling in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (c) At present, there is no such proposal under consideration.

Development of Bodhgaya in Bihar

1523. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to prepare a Master Plan for development of Bodhgaya in Bihar, an important destination in a Buddhist tourists itinerary;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that Orissa is also a hub of Buddhist tourism; and